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Dear Ms. Dixon:

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There is at least one Nevadan that would like to see the leadership of our remarkable state stop protesting the storage of civilian nuclear waste at Yucca Mountain. Namely me!

That waste must be stored somewhere. Right now it is being stockpiled all over the country. To be safeguarded the radioactive material needs to be brought together into one spot. It is the federal government's responsibility. The US government years ago, chose great tracts of Nevada for war games, flight tests, and nuclear research. It makes sense to continue to utilize Nevada's sparsely populated federal lands for the good of the nation.

As I am sure you know better than I do -- France manufactures 85% of her electricity needs from nuclear power. Needless to say, they had to find a safe place to store the spent rods. The local French citizens protested the proposed storage site - that is, until the French government had a stroke of genius. The French government changed the name of the agency from a *storage* facility to a *research* facility. Now little French school kids stand in line to take guided tours.

Good luck on your PR battle.

Sincerely,